



Clarendon County Regular Council Meeting Monday, August 8, 2016, 6:00 PM Council Chambers

Those in attendance:

Chairman Dwight L. Stewart, Jr.
Councilman Billy G. Richardson
Councilman Benton Blakely
Clerk to Council, Dorothy M. Levy

Vice Chairman W.J. Frierson
Councilman AC English
County Administrator, David W. Epperson

Press in attendance: Konstantin Vengerowsky, The Item, Robert Baker, The Manning Times

Others in attendance included:

Lynden Anthony	Charlotte Johnston	Tiffany Myers	Pro Prothro	Ericka Floyd
Larry Johnson	Marilyn Fletcher	Roy Fletcher	Lillian Moore	Kimberly Marlow
Linda Lemon	And other Clarendon County Residents			

Chairman Stewart called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm with opening comments. Councilman Richardson led the invocation. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited in unison.

I. Approval of Agenda

Chairman Stewart asked for an approval of the agenda.

On motion by Councilman Richardson and seconded by Vice Chairman Frierson, Council voted Unanimous Approval to the Council Meeting Agenda for August 8, 2016.

II. Approval of Minutes

On motion by Councilman English and seconded by Councilman Blakely, Council voted Unanimous Approval to the council meeting minutes for the Regular Council Meeting, which was held on July 11, 2016 with corrections.

III. American Red Cross

Mr. Dutch Holland from the American Red Cross presented a Certificate of Merit to Mr. Kevin Moye for the life saving techniques that he performed on his mother when she was having a heart attack. Mr. Holland concluded by stating that the life of Kevin's mother was saved by the techniques that Kevin used.

IV. Clarendon County Accommodation Tax Fund

Mr. Lynden Anthony, Controller, requested Council to authorize funding to the Clarendon County Chamber of Commerce for its tourism promotion initiatives in the amount of \$55,000 for FY2017, as recommended by the Clarendon County Accommodations Tax Committee. He concluded by stating that the funds would be distributed from the Accommodation "Tourism" Allocation.

On Motion by Councilman Richardson and Seconded by Councilman English, Council voted Unanimous Approval to the request made by Mr. Anthony to authorize funding, from the Accommodation "Tourism" Allocation, to the Clarendon County Chamber of Commerce in the amount of \$55,000 for FY2017.

V. Ordinance 2016-03

On Motion by Councilman English and Seconded by Councilman Richardson, Council voted Unanimous Approval to the Third and Final Reading of Ordinance 2016-03, An Ordinance ordering a Referendum to determine whether the South Carolina Department of Revenue may issue temporary permits to allow for the possession sale and consumption of alcoholic

liquors by the drink to Bona Fide Nonprofit Organizations and business establishment authorized to be licensed for consumption-on-premises sales and to allow the sale of beer and wine at permitted off-premises locations without regard to the days or hours of sales.

VI. Ordinance 2016-04

Ms. Maria Rose, Planning Director, presented Council with an Ordinance to Amend the Building Codes. She stated that these amendments were recommended by the Clarendon County Planning Commission Board. Ms. Rose stated that the following items would be amended if approved by Council:

- International Building Code. Amend to adopt 2015 edition with South Carolina Modifications.
- Electrical: Amend to adopt 2014 edition.
- Plumbing: Amend to adopt 2015 edition with South Carolina Modifications
- International Mechanical Code: Amend to adopt 2015 edition with South Carolina Modifications.
- International Fire Code: Amend to adopt 2015 edition with South Carolina Modifications.
- International Fuel Gas Code: Amend to adopt 2015 edition with South Carolina Modifications
- International Energy Conservation Code: Amend to adopt 2009 edition.
- International Residential Code: Amend to adopt 2015 edition with South Carolina Modifications.

On Motion by Vice Chairman Frierson and Seconded by Councilman Blakely, Council voted Unanimous Approval to the first reading of Ordinance 2016-04, An Ordinance to amend the Building Code as stated above.

VII. Financial Report

Mr. Lynden Anthony, CFO, began his report by stating that the General Fund had Expenditures of \$2,037,723 as of July 31, 2016. He continued by stating that Revenue figures were not available.

Mr. Anthony continued by stating that the Water and Sewer Department had Operating Revenue of \$65,770 and Operating Expenses of \$36,655 as of July 31, 2016. He stated that after depreciation, transfers, interest expense, and Grant Revenue totaling \$150,957, the Water and Sewer Department had Net Utility income of \$180,072.

Mr. Anthony continued by stating that the Weldon Auditorium total Revenue for the month of July was \$3,970, and total Expenses of \$12,663. He stated that after a transfer from the General Fund in the amount of \$8,693, the Weldon Auditorium ended the month of July with a Zero balance.

Mr. Anthony concluded his report by stating that the C-Fund Program for the month of June 2016 had a Cash Balance of \$3,554,196 of which \$3,239,024 has been committed to remaining local paving projects, State Construction Projects in Progress and State Proviso Funds.

VIII. Administrator's Report

Administrator Epperson began his report by giving Council an update on the following projects:

- USDA Phase 1B – Engineering is working on the high PH.
- USDA Phase II –Surveying are still in progress.
- Financial –Reimbursements are still coming in from the Flood damages.
- Road Paving – Roads scheduled for paving through the County's portion of C-Funding for 2016 will begin at the end of the year.
- Two roads are still closed in Clarendon County: Highway 301 and Old River Road.
- The Ordinance, in reference to Sunday Alcohol sale, that was approved by Council must be forwarded to the Voters Registration Director by August 15, 2016.
- Councilman Richardson asked when is Mill Pond Road scheduled to be repaired.
- Administrator Epperson replied by stating that he does not know the start date.
- Councilman Richardson asked who would promote the Sunday alcohol sale.
- Administrator Epperson replied by stating that the Clarendon County Chambers will promote the sale of Alcohol Beverages on Sunday.

IX. Chairman's Report

Chairman Stewart stated that the Association of Counties Annual Meeting was well attended and he enjoyed attending.

X. Executive Session

Chairman Stewart asked for a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss the following Items and he stated that he was recusing himself from the discussion on Project Gordon.

1. Legal Briefing-Public Works
2. Economic Development
 - a. Project Gordon I
 - b. Project Gordon II

On motion by Councilman Blakely and seconded by Councilman Richardson, Council voted Unanimous Approval to go into Executive session to discuss a Legal Briefing on the Public Works Department and two Economic Development Projects, Project Gordon I and Project Gordon II. The Executive Session began at 6:34 pm.

XI. Open Session

Chairman Stewart asked for a motion to come out of Executive Session and back into Open Session.

On motion by Councilman Richardson and Seconded by Vice Chairman Frierson, Council voted Unanimous Approval to come out of Executive Session and back into Open Session. The Executive Session Ended at 8:22 pm.

Chairman Stewart stated that in Executive Session, Council received a Legal Briefing in reference to the Public Works Department and no action would be taken. He continued by recusing himself from Project Gordon because he has done a lot of work for the Owner in reference to property involved Project Gordon.

Vice Chairman Frierson stated that in Executive Session, Council received information on Project Gordon I and II and Action would be taken.

a. Project Gordon I

On motion by Councilman Richardson and seconded by Councilman Blakely, Council voted Unanimous Approval to a Resolution Providing Preliminary Approval for Certain Incentives to Induce one or more Investors Collectively Identified for the time being as Project Gordon I, Each acting for itself, One or More Current or Future Affiliates and Other Project Sponsors (Collectively, "Company") to Establish Facilities in Clarendon County, South Carolina ("County"). Including (1) Negotiated Fee In Lieu of Ad Valorem Tax Arrangements; (2) Special Source Revenue Credits; (3) Multi-County Industrial or Business Park Arrangements; and (4) Other Related Matters.

b. Project Gordon II

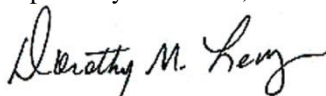
On motion by Councilman Richardson and seconded by Councilman English, Council voted Unanimous Approval to a Resolution Providing Preliminary Approval for Certain Incentives to Induce one or more Investors Collectively Identified for the time being as Project Gordon II, Each acting for itself, One or More Current or Future Affiliates and Other Project Sponsors (Collectively, "Company") to Establish Facilities in Clarendon County, South Carolina ("County"). Including (1) Negotiated Fee In Lieu of Ad Valorem Tax Arrangements; (2) Special Source Revenue Credits; (3) Multi-County Industrial or Business Park Arrangements; and (4) Other Related Matters.

XII. Adjournment

Chairman Stewart stated that we have exhausted our agenda and he asked for a motion to adjourn the Council Meeting.

On motion by Councilman Richardson and Seconded by Councilman Blakely, Council voted Unanimous approval to adjourn the Council meeting. The Council Meeting ended at 8:25 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,



Dorothy M. Levy
Clerk to Clarendon County Council

